

**BCWG March 2026 Meeting Minutes**  
**March Meeting Held at Andrews University**  
**The next meeting will be on April 21 at 6 PM**  
**Wayne Rendell's Shop**  
**Attendance of 21 Members and Guests**

The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Szymanski at 6 PM.

**Announcements**

Guest Paul Getz and former/present member John Montiero were welcomed by the Guild.

Barry Young has a new OMTECH 90 watt laser available for \$2,500. Anyone interested should contact Barry directly.

Al Fowler shared the schedule for the Lest We Forget America 250 speaker series to be held Tuesday evenings through April and May at Lake Michigan College. Details are available at [lestweforget.org](http://lestweforget.org).

**Presentation**

Tom Hurst gave a presentation on how to form wood spheres on a lathe. In addition two Andrews University graduate students provided details on “tiny homes” they are creating as part of their masters degrees. Niki and Joshua are refurbishing shipping containers to be used in Eswatini (formerly Swaziland) in southern Africa. For more information on their projects, details are available at [buildforhope.org](http://buildforhope.org).



**Tom Hurst's Sphere Construction**



**Build For Hope Tiny Home**

## Show & Tell

### Barry Young

Barry showed a turned cherry water jug patterned after a glass version he had previously acquired. He also displayed a Plumb Bob appropriately made from *Plum* wood. (yes....pun intended!)



**Barry Young's Cherry Water Jug and Plum Plumb Bob**

### Ed Laber

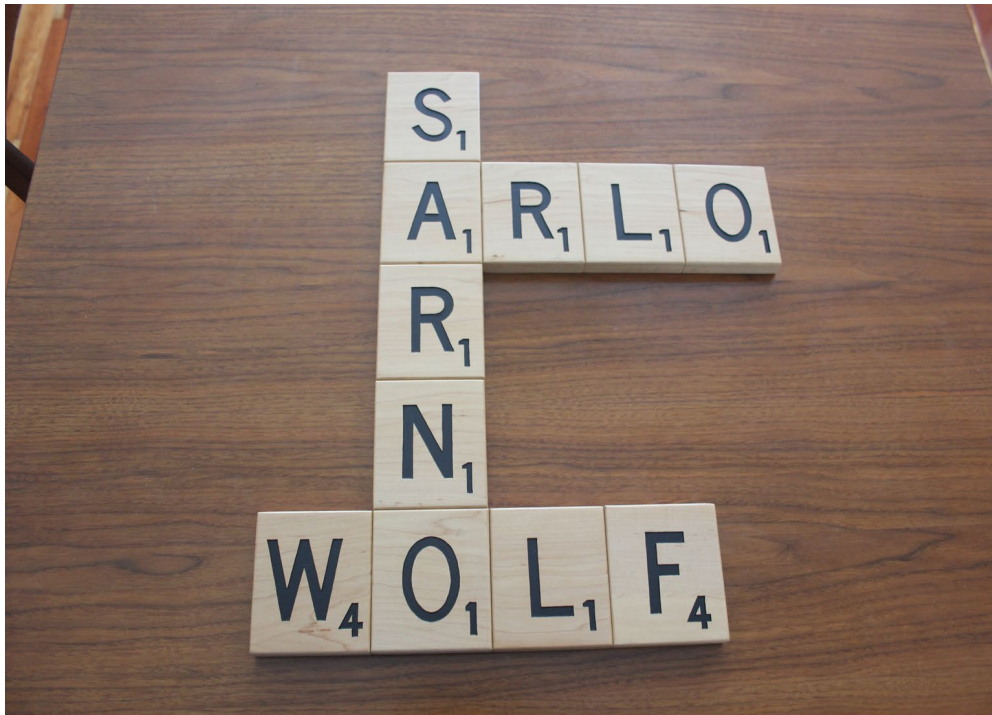
Ed brought a “floating” cube made from walnut, finished with poly.



**Ed Laber's Floating Walnut Cube**

### **Lindsey Smith**

Lindsey presented a Crossword Puzzle made from giant, hard maple "Scrabble" letters. The puzzle intertwined the first, middle and last names of a new Grandson.



Lindsey Smith's Giant Scrabble Crossword Puzzle

### **Chris Cook**

Chris displayed a mahogany side table finished with homemade stain, shellac and lacquer.



Chris Cook's Mahogany Side Table

## **Jim Kassigar**

Jim brought a mahogany flute made with a Native American Indian design.



**Jim Kassigar's Native American Design Flute**

Chris Cook won the "Sawdust in the Hat" drawing for a \$35 Lowe's gift certificate.

Regards, Lindsey Smith - Secretary